

PORTSMOUTH LOCAL NEWS AND ADVERTISEMENTS

PORTSMOUTH AND NORFOLK COUNTY

What Virginian-Pilot Representatives Hear Daily.

BRIEF ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Movement of People in Whom the Average Reader is Interested—Happenings in Legal—Business, Religious and Social Circles—Forecast of Future Events.

The Virginian-Pilot extends to its Portsmouth readers a happy New Year. The Christmas music at the Court Street Baptist Church will be repeated to-day.

There was no docket in the Mayor's Court yesterday, not an arrest having been made for the twenty-four hours ending at 9 a. m.

This is the time to form good resolutions and keep them.

The Street Committee will begin putting down the plank walk on County street from Crawford to Water, some time this week.

The Norfolk County School Electoral Board and the School Board were both in session yesterday. The first named filled a vacancy in the board. The other elected a teacher to fill a vacancy in the Western Branch District.

The Clerk's office of the Hustings and County Courts will be closed Monday, that day being a legal holiday.

The regular monthly meeting of the South Street Baptist Sunday school will be held this afternoon at 9 o'clock. President Williams and Leonard, attorney for the Portsmouth street railroad, were both in the city yesterday on business connected with the road.

Some unknown persons stole the bond wires off the Portsmouth street railroad, which connects with the Port Norfolk road.

Miss Nellie Jackson, of Jackson, Miss., is in the city on a visit to friends.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Ford and family, of Guilford, will shortly move to Lynchburg, where they will in the future reside.

Grimes' Battery had forty-seven men of fifty present at their inspection Friday night. Two were confined to their bed on account of sickness and the other one was out of the city.

It is suggested that the electric light company should have a party in the day time so that in cloudy weather they could use that.

The Board of Health will not meet Monday night, it being a holiday, but they will meet Tuesday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

The joint ferry committee will on the 9th fix all the details connected with the leasing of the ferry and report them to their respective bodies at the meetings next day.

Little Irene Peck, who has been critically ill, is improving very rapidly.

There have been no announcements with that any of the fashionable people will keep open houses Monday. The custom does not seem to be very popular in this section.

Mr. T. J. Anderson's removal as passenger agent of the Seaboard Air Line went into effect yesterday.

Mr. J. A. Nash will go on duty as deputy Commissioner of Revenue next week, or as soon as he can leave his place in Richmond.

Attention is called to the advertisement of Mr. Emmett Deans in this issue.

The King's Daughters' Christmas tree yesterday afternoon was a decided success. A large number of children attended.

There will be no colored parade Monday in honor of Emancipation Day.

A horse attached to a delivery wagon ran into the city street yesterday and scattered groceries in every direction.

The choir of Owens Memorial M. E. Church, having been reorganized under the leadership of Prof. Charles H. Sturtevant, with a chorus of sweet voices, church music may be expected in this section.

To-day being the first Sunday in the month, communion services will be observed in the Methodist and Episcopal Churches of the city.

The funeral of Miss Rachel Rebecca Ann Virginia Stewart, aunt of Capt. Charles H. Stewart, will take place this afternoon from the residence, No. 323 King street, at 3 o'clock. The interment will be in Oak Grove.

Miss Ethel Tebbault, of Norfolk, is visiting Miss Ethel Herbert, on Dawid street. Miss Herbert will on Wednesday return to the Woman's College at Richmond.

borne. Dr. Ferebee has a number of friends in this city who will be glad to welcome him back again.

The Christmas music at St. John's Episcopal Church will be repeated to-day at both services.

Attention is called to advertisement of J. G. Salsburg, in which he offers ends of boards for 60 cents a load.

Mr. John Clover, who for so many years has been conducting the lively business on County and King streets, has gone out of business, and has connected himself with Mr. W. J. Davis.

Trinity Circle of the King's Daughters will meet in Trinity parish house Tuesday evening at 8:30 o'clock.

The annual meeting was held at 11 o'clock last night at the Friends' Church. Evangelist V. R. Gates preached.

A black rat-terrier, which was lost, is advertised for return and directed.

Mr. George A. Tabb, secretary of the Portsmouth and Norfolk County Building Association, gives notice that dues for the association will not be collected on Monday, it being a holiday, but they can be paid on Tuesday.

Mrs. John Garland Pollard, of Richmond, is here on a visit to her parents, Captain and Mrs. C. T. Phillips.

Mr. Vernon Ballentine, who had his leg badly smashed by jumping on a Seaboard Air Line train several weeks ago, is now an inmate of the King's Daughters' Hospital, his condition having grown very serious.

Your attention is called to the notice of the Seaboard Air Line, in regard to the reception and delivery of freight, which appears in this issue.

Justice George D. W. Alworth is confined to his bed with sickness at his home, on County street.

Mrs. Sarah E. Simpson, of Newport News, is here visiting her father, Mr. George W. Bland, of 631 Bart street.

LORD'S DAY SERVICES.

The Different Churches and What Will Be Done Therein.

Court Street Baptist church, Dr. A. E. Owen, pastor—Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. After a short sermon the annual church meeting will be held. Every member of the church is urged to be present. At night the pastor will preach on the "Voyage of Life."

Owens Memorial M. E. church, South, Rev. R. T. Waterfield, pastor—Sunday school at 9:15 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. Morning subject, "Praises to God for His Goodness."

Calvary Baptist church, Rev. Samuel Saunders, pastor—Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Meeting for Bible Study at 2:30 p. m.

South Street Baptist church, corner South and Edinboro streets, Rev. J. W. Mitchell, pastor—Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. Morning subject, "Burial and Resurrection Before Death." Evening, "Last Year and This Year." The Lord's Supper will be celebrated at the church on the morning service. The Sun Beams will hold their annual meeting at 3:30 p. m. The Ordinance of Baptism will be administered at the close of the evening service. A cordial welcome to all.

Central M. E. Church, South, Rev. R. E. Edwards, pastor—Sunday school at 9:15 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. Morning subject, "It is Because To-Day Learns Wisdom From Yesterday That it is Able to Teach Wisdom to To-Morrow." Evening, "The Encircled Throne."

Port Norfolk Baptist church, Rev. Dr. A. B. Eggleston, pastor—Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. A cordial welcome to all.

Court Street Presbyterian church, Rev. R. B. Eggleston, pastor—Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Cordial invitation to all.

Fourth and Lincoln street, Rev. W. F. Fisher, pastor—Sunday school at 9:15 a. m. Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Friends' Church—There will be services at the Friends' Church to-day as follows: Morning at 11 o'clock, evening at 7:30 p. m. At 8 o'clock, V. R. Gates will preach. Every one welcome.

REBEKAH LODGE, ODD FELLOWS.

The ladies at the head of the movement to organize a Rebekah Lodge of Odd Fellows in this city are meeting with much success.

The great number of ladies to institute the lodge have entered into the spirit of the occasion, and all that is necessary now to form the lodge at once is the assistance of a few more "odd fellows" as members. Should there be other ladies desirous of joining, the ladies interested in the lodge will call on them at once if they will leave their names with either Mr. Rogers, or Captain Bland, at the office of the Virginian-Pilot. Those who have signed are requested also to leave the necessary initiation fee at this office. There are several Odd Fellows in the city, who are interested in this work, and the ladies respectfully request their immediate co-operation, as stated above.

ORDERED TO DUTY HERE.

Secretary of the Navy John D. Long, has ordered Carpenter Benjamin F. Fisher, of Norfolk, to report at once to Commodore Farquhar, who will assign him to such duty at this yard as may seem best in his judgment.

Carpenter Markham is a Portsmouth boy, who was appointed to the position he now holds in the days when wooden ships were built, a score or more years ago, and his natural competence and his long experience with the building and the needs of either or both.

TO KICK THE PIGSKIN HARD

Portsmouth and Norfolk Meet on the Gridiron Tomorrow.

WHAT OUR TEAM EXPECTS

Home Team Will Present a Splendid Line Up, with Personnel Which Will Add to the Interest of the Contest—The Team is Expected to Hold Up the Reputation of the City.

The first and only game of football this year will be played January 2d, at 11 a. m. in League Park, Norfolk, between the rival teams of Portsmouth and Norfolk.

Portsmouth will be represented by a strong team, composed of local and college boys.

Norfolk, as usual, is confident of victory, but it is which he so distinguished himself in which he so distinguished himself on his college team during the season of '97; Myrtle, the old Richmond College guard, will play right tackle. In him Norfolk will find an aggressive player; Wemple, one of the pioneers of the Portsmouth football team, will play the position he is so capable of filling—left end; Frazer, the team-mate of Wemple, will play the other end, and those who saw his work last year, know his ability as an end; Kaufman, who played on the Richmond College team during the season of '96 and '97, will play quarter. We all know "Jack" as a hard and conscientious player; Markham, a youngster in years, will play left half. Last season he played on the Brooklyn High School team in this position, where he continually distinguished himself by his fast work; Randolph, of last year's team, will play right half. He, like the left half, is a good ground runner and defensive player; Peckham, full back, will play his old style game, and the other players will be as good as the team.

The following well-known players: Graham, centre, is a well-known player of the '96 team, where he continually distinguished himself during the season; Ward, left guard, has played that position for the last three years; Duke, right guard, is an old University player, and his record is well known in football circles; Herbert, formerly of the V. P. L., will play left tackle, the position in which he so distinguished himself on his college team during the season of '97; Myrtle, the old Richmond College guard, will play right tackle. In him Norfolk will find an aggressive player; Wemple, one of the pioneers of the Portsmouth football team, will play the position he is so capable of filling—left end; Frazer, the team-mate of Wemple, will play the other end, and those who saw his work last year, know his ability as an end; Kaufman, who played on the Richmond College team during the season of '96 and '97, will play quarter. We all know "Jack" as a hard and conscientious player; Markham, a youngster in years, will play left half. Last season he played on the Brooklyn High School team in this position, where he continually distinguished himself by his fast work; Randolph, of last year's team, will play right half. He, like the left half, is a good ground runner and defensive player; Peckham, full back, will play his old style game, and the other players will be as good as the team.

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Old Santa Claus then made his appearance to the delight of the children, and the good things, together with numerous presents from teachers and scholars, were distributed, and evening closed by the singing of the old doxology, "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow."

THE OLD AND THE NEW.

Last night, at midnight, 1898 became a thing of the past, and 1899 was born into the world.

At 10:30 p. m. watch-night services were held in a number of the churches, which were well attended. The rain kept a number of people on the streets until a late hour, when they began to assemble. The tin-horn and fire-cracker played an important part in the service. The churches began to toll, telling to the world that the dying year was about to leave us, and as the hour of 12 was struck the joyous sounds were heard telling to the world that a new year had been born, and that all mankind should rejoice. The steam whistles were blown, and the noise of that added to by the fire-cracker, &c., made considerable excitement.

Numbers of those who were out wished each other a happy new year and many pleasant returns. The old year, which has just gone, has left many things to be remembered. To many it was prosperous and full of joy; to others it brought misery and woe. Numerous friends have passed over the river to that land where sorrow will be no more.

The Virginian-Pilot during that time was a happy visitor to many a person, and brought to them the news of the day. Its employees did all they could to make it prosper and to make for it a warm place in the hearts of the people.

It now extends to its readers in this city a wish for a happy new year to all.

NAVAL INTELLIGENCE.

Passed Assistant Engineer S. H. Leonard, Jr., detached from the Scorpion, to assume duties as inspector of torpedo boats.

Chief Engineer J. Love, ordered to additional duties as chief engineer of the League Island Navy-yard.

Lieutenant J. M. Helm, detached from the Richmond and ordered to duty as inspector of the Sixteenth Lighthouse District.

Lieutenant E. B. Underwood, detached from the Terror and ordered to the Yankee.

Assistant Paymaster T. J. Arms, ordered to settle up accounts of the Panther.

Assistant Engineer A. Anderson, detached from the supply and ordered home.

Assistant Engineer J. F. Snow, detached from the Yorktown and ordered home.

GREAT SEMI-ANNUAL SALE.

The great semi-annual sale at the New York Clothing Company's store will begin to-morrow, January 2d, and continue for three weeks.

They tell you that \$20,000 of men and boys' clothing will be offered for sale at and below cost. They do not make this mention specially to let those who look forward to these great sales know that the time had arrived, but for others who may not know that such a sale is going on and to let them know where bargains can be secured in first-class goods. They invite you to read the schedule of prices and be convinced that what they tell is so.

FOURTH STREET BAPTIST.

PEOPLE'S FORUM.

NOTE.—The People's Forum being freely open to all parties, classes, persons, views and capacities, the Virginian-Pilot is responsible for none of the statements or opinions expressed therein, nor for the style in which they are set forth. The ignorant and uneducated shall be heard here equally with the learned.

A WORD TO PHILANTHROPISTS.

Portsmouth, Va., Dec. 31, 1898. Portsmouth Office Virginian-Pilot:

There is an old adage which says, "Forewarned is forearmed," and as our merchant sailors are the greater part of their time on the briny deep, it behooves us as fellow beings to warn them of the dangers from land sharks when they enter port. And in connection with the foregoing there is nothing which would suggest a better way than the following article, taken from the December number of the "Signs of the Times," published at Oakland, Cal. The point is well taken and it is an admirable chance for some of our philanthropic citizens to show what metal they are made of.

"Christian Endeavor is the name of a handsome gasoline launch recently dedicated to ship missionary work on San Francisco Bay. It is designed for visiting incoming vessels, as soon as possible after their arrival, to warn the crews against places where they would be likely to fall into temptation; also to point them to respectable places for association and lodging. The object is commendable and the little boat is well fitted for the work."

"ZALANTHA."

THE PARK VIEW BAPTISTS.

Their Christmas Tree Entertainment a Most Enjoyable Affair.

On Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock the Park View Baptist Sunday school gave a very creditable Christmas entertainment at their tabernacle, corner Hutton and Ann streets. A beautiful Christmas tree had been erected and very tastefully ornamented by the ladies, and baskets of candy and nuts, with bags of oranges and bananas, were in abundance.

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SHE WANTED TO DIE.

The cause stated for the attempt at suicide of the colored woman, Julia Taylor, late Friday night, is continued ill-health. She lives with her husband near the city, and has a small yard. The man makes a living by shelling oysters, and on going home at the time mentioned he found his wife in an unconscious condition, with an empty laudanum bottle lying beside her. It was at first thought that Julia was dead, but a movement of the eyelids encouraged her friends, who had been notified and summoned to her, to hasten for a physician, who was secured, and he was successful in resuscitating the woman.

Yesterday she was quite sick, and the information that could be gotten from her was that being sick so long life had become a burden to her.

SPECIAL MEETINGS AT Y. M. C. A.

Two services specially appropriate for New Year's Day will be held at the Association this afternoon.

The first at 4 o'clock, of Norfolk, will speak to the subject, "Re-deeming the Time."

The Song Service commencing at 4 o'clock will be an enjoyable feature. All men are invited.

The Boy's service will be held at 5 o'clock, and will be of interest to every boy. The White and Red Choirs will sing.

CHRISTMAS TREE ENTERTAINMENT.

The Port Norfolk Baptist Sunday school had a Christmas tree Friday evening, December 30th, and the tree was beautifully decorated and brilliant.

Lamented, and Santa Claus remembered all the little ones. Professor C. F. Cross, principal of the Port Norfolk Academy, delivered an appropriate and eloquent address, which elicited much praise.

SHE WAS BADLY SCALDED.

Yesterday morning a little girl child named Williams, whose parents live in Prince Georges, put a kettle of boiling water over, and scalded herself about the face and body in a terrible manner. Dr. Parker was sent for and made her as comfortable as possible. The little one's screams could be heard for some distance. The flesh was all puffed up in blisters and her face and hands. The child will be badly marked for life.

THE MORTUARY REPORTS.

Through the courtesy of the Health Officer we give below the mortuary report for the month of December: Total number of deaths, 28; whites, 25; colored, 3; white males, 14; females, 9; colored males, 3; females, 2. Comparative statement December, 1897: Number deaths, 21; 1898, 23.

SEMI-ANNUAL CLEARING SALE

New York Clothing Company

Commencing January 3d, 1899, and Continuing for Three Weeks.

\$20,000 WORTH OF MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING AND FURNISHING GOODS AT AND BELOW COST \$20,000

Those who have attended our previous Sales and who took advantage of the immense bargains we offered will need no introduction and to those who have not we will kindly solicit a call so as to convince them that we advertise nothing but facts.

MEN'S CLOTHING.

MEN'S PANTS.

NECKWEAR.

GLOVES.

MEN'S DRESS SHIRTS.

BOYS' KNEE PANTS.

BOYS' UNDERWEAR.

SUSPENDERS.

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